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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ROBERT HUNTER BIDEN, Plaintiff(s), v.	CASE NUMBER 2:23-cv-09430-SVW-PD
PATRICK M. BYRNE, an individual, Defendant(s),	APPLICATION OF NON-RESIDENT ATTORNEY TO APPEAR IN A SPECIFIC CASE PRO HAC VICE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS

- (1) The attorney seeking to appear pro hac vice must complete Section I of this Application, personally sign, in ink, the certification in Section II, and have the designated Local Counsel sign in Section III. **ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES ARE NOT ACCEPTED.** Space to supplement responses is provided in Section IV. The applicant must also attach a Certificate of Good Standing (issued within the last 30 days) from every state bar to which he or she is admitted; failure to do so will be grounds for denying the Application. Scan the completed Application with its original ink signature, together with any attachment(s), to a single Portable Document Format (PDF) file.
- (2) Have the designated Local Counsel file the Application electronically using the Court's electronic filing system ("Motions and Related Filings => Applications/Ex Parte Applications/Motions/Petitions/Requests => Appear Pro Hac Vice (G-64)"), attach a Proposed Order (using Form G-64 ORDER, available from the Court's website), and pay the required \$400 fee online at the time of filing (using a credit card). The fee is required for each case in which the applicant files an Application. Failure to pay the fee at the time of filing will be grounds for denying the Application. **Out-of-state federal government attorneys are not required to pay the \$400 fee.** (Certain attorneys for the United States are also exempt from the requirement of applying for pro hac vice status. See L.R. 83-2.1.4.) A copy of the G-64 ORDER in Word or WordPerfect format must be emailed to the generic chambers email address. L.R. 5-4.4.2.

SECTION I - INFORMATION

Harpootlian, Richard A.
 Applicant's Name (Last Name, First Name & Middle Initial) check here if federal government attorney ☐
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I have been retained to represent the following parties:

Robert Hunter Biden ☒ Plaintiff(s) ☐ Defendant(s) ☐ Other:
☐ Plaintiff(s) ☐ Defendant(s) ☐ Other:
 Name(s) of Party(ies) Represented

List all state and federal courts (including appellate courts) to which the applicant has been admitted, and provide the current status of his or her membership. Use Section IV if more room is needed, or to provide additional information.

Name of Court	Date of Admission	Active Member in Good Standing? (if not, please explain)
South Carolina	11/14/1974	Yes
SC District Court	08/23/1982	Yes
4th Circuit Court of Appeals	04/22/1985	Yes
US Supreme Court	12/13/1993	Yes
6th Circuit Court of Appeals	04/04/2014	Yes

List all cases in which the applicant has applied to this Court for *pro hac vice* status in the previous three years (continue in Section IV if needed):

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Title of Action</u>	<u>Date of Application</u>	<u>Granted / Denied?</u>
N/A			

If any *pro hac vice* applications submitted within the past three (3) years have been denied by the Court, please explain:

N/A

Attorneys must be registered for the Court's electronic filing system to practice pro hac vice in this Court. Submission of this Application will constitute your registration (or re-registration) to use that system. If the Court signs an Order granting your Application, visit www.pacer.gov to complete the registration process and activate your e-filing privileges in the Central District of California.

SECTION II - CERTIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury that:

- (1) All of the above information is true and correct.
- (2) I am not a resident of the State of California. I am not regularly employed in, or engaged in substantial business, professional, or other activities in the State of California.
- (3) I am not currently suspended from and have never been disbarred from practice in any court.
- (4) I am familiar with the Court's Local Civil and Criminal Rules, the Federal Rules of Civil and Criminal Procedure, and the Federal Rules of Evidence.
- (5) I designate the attorney listed in Section III below, who is a member in good standing of the Bar of this Court and maintains an office in the Central District of California for the practice of law, in which the attorney is physically present on a regular basis to conduct business, as local counsel pursuant to Local Rule 83-2.1.3.4.

Dated 03/03/2025

Richard A. Harpootlian

Applicant's Name (please type or print)


Applicant's Signature

SECTION III - DESIGNATION OF LOCAL COUNSEL

Sullivan, Bryan M.

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I hereby consent to the foregoing designation as local counsel, and declare under penalty of perjury that I maintain an office in the Central District of California for the practice of law, in which I am physically present on a regular basis to conduct business.

Dated 03/03/2025

Bryan M. Sullivan

Designee's Name (please type or print)

Bryan M. Sullivan

Designee's Signature

SECTION IV - SUPPLEMENT ANSWERS HERE (ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY)

The Supreme Court of South Carolina

Certificate of Good Standing

I, Patricia A. Howard, Clerk of the Supreme Court of South Carolina, do hereby certify that Richard A. Harpootlian (Richard Ara Harpootlian) was duly sworn and admitted as an attorney in this state on November 14, 1974 and is currently a regular member of the South Carolina Bar in good standing.

Patricia A. Howard

CLERK

Columbia, South Carolina

February 26, 2025